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Unit Designation

25X1 1, [REDACTED]
25X1 25X1 [REDACTED]
25X1 25X1 [REDACTED] 46th
Gds Mecz Regt, 13th Gds Mecz Div, Central Group of Forces.

2. None of the unit's equipment was marked with the unit designation. [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted] The standard of the 46th Gds Mecz Regt was marked "42nd Rifle Regt", [redacted] during World War II the 46th Gds Mecz Regt had been designated the 42nd Rifle Regt. [redacted]
[redacted] the 13th Gds Mecz Div had also had a different designation during the war [redacted]
[redacted] It was allegedly redesignated the 13th Gds Mecz Div some time after 1945.

Propaganda

3. [] heard from political and line officers [] that Soviet deserters were at first well treated by US authorities but were later shot after being fully interrogated. []

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Fraternization

- 25X1 4. [redacted] Many officers however, fraternized
25X1 with Austrian women, a practice which was generally overlooked
25X1 and not reported by other officers. [redacted] most officers,
25X1 even party members, would not report an EM for fraternizing with
25X1 Austrian women. Austrian police do not take any action when
25X1 they see Soviet troops with Austrian women. Kommandatura
25X1 patrols, however, arrest all fraternizers. [redacted]
25X1 [redacted] the
25X1 UKR-OKR-Smerash-MGB [redacted] arrest
25X1 all fraternizers because it is common knowledge that its principal
25X1 function is to apprehend troops who have had contact with
25X1 Austrians, either female or male.

Security

5. Interior guard duty was the only security duty performed by the
46th Gds Mecz Regt. Soviet EM could enter or leave a compound in
the 46th Gds Mecz Regt area only in formation or when accompanied
by an officer; there were no such restrictions, however, in maneuver
or summer training areas. Officers needed no identification to
enter or leave military compounds in the 46th Gds Mecz Regt area.
6. In August 1951, seven or eight Soviet female waitresses, cooks
and typists replaced about 10 Austrian women formerly employed
by the 46th Gds Mecz Regt. Since then no foreign nationals have
been employed by the 46th Gds Mecz Regt and none have been per-
mitted to enter the military compounds.
- 25X1 7. [redacted]
25X1 headquarters of the 46th Gds Mecz Regt has a major as reconnaissance
25X1 officer. His staff consists of a lieutenant and some NCO's
25X1 and privates (reconnaissance company). Also each rifle squad
25X1 in a rifle company of a mechanized rifle battalion has a re-
25X1 connaissance man who serves as a scout. [redacted]
25X1 [redacted] 25X1
8. [redacted]
- 25X1 9. [redacted] the 13th Gds Mecz Div and the 46th Gds Mecz Regt have
25X1 some MGB officers [redacted]
25X1 [redacted]
10. [redacted] the kommandatura patrols and MGB men can arrest
members of the Soviet Army.
- 25X1 11. All mail, letters and packages, to and from the USSR is censored.
25X1 [redacted] all mail of the 46th Gds Mecz Regt is censored
25X1 by a postal censorship unit in Vienna [redacted]
25X1 [redacted] Soviet personnel are forbidden
25X1 to write anything which may be construed as military information,
25X1 ie, Order of Battle, T/O&E, army morale, discipline, training,
25X1 supply tactics, etc. [redacted] there are no established
25X1 penalties for violation of censorship directives. Censorship is
25X1 executed either by blacking out unauthorized statements or
25X1 destroying the entire letter. Should the censor feel, however,
25X1 that the writer of a letter committed a serious security violation,
25X1 he will return the letter to the writer's CO for appropriate
25X1 disciplinary action. The usual disciplinary action consists
25X1 of a reprimand and a warning [redacted]
25X1 [redacted]

Soviet troops are not permitted to utilize the services of the
Austrian postal system.

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the functions of kommandatura patrols primarily consisted of keeping order, preventing fraternization, and apprehending Soviet troops who are outside caserne areas without proper authorization.

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The classified documents section of the 46th Gds Mecz Regt is headed by a lieutenant who has an NCO to assist him. All orders and regulations from the War Ministry, the Central Group of Forces, the 13th Gds Mecz Div, and the 46th Gds Mecz Regt are stored there, as well as payroll accounts, T/O&E charts, stock accounts, manuals and maps. In other words, all written or published material pertaining to the unit is kept there.

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officers of the 46th Gds Mecz Regt dressed in civilian clothes, in Klosterneuberg /4818N-1619E they did this only to avoid detection while drinking and fraternizing.

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